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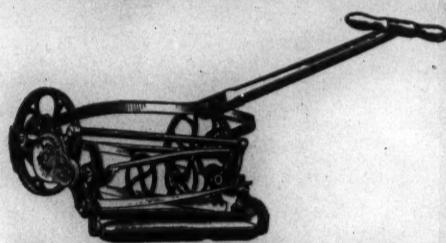
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EDITORIAL

MARCH opens the season of reviving life. It expresses in its varying skies and its boisterous winds a struggle of opposing forces. The silent stillness of the winter sleep is being disturbed and the plant must soon give itself over to other influences; action, force, courage, if we may call it so, asserts itself and the struggle with the great problem of life must be resumed.

Nature speaks this change in the living things about us, and while human life has no regular periodical seasons of winter and summer, it is easy to trace in each life these soul seasons of sleep and awakening. The restful calm of the unmomentous life must sometimes be disturbed by the March winds of adverse conditions. The even tenor of one's way must occasionally be blocked by hindrances and impediments, then suddenly life reveals itself to us as a great battle-field. Shall we sleep on in the calm of "lassez faire," or shall we accept the gauge of war and wheel into line of battle? Conditions and events in our lives have been shaping this day for us. What have we done for ourselves to meet the test? Be assured the problems of life are best met with a dauntless courage, for we will surely find that there is happiness in conquest, be it over self-adverse fate or hostile surroundings; and opposition honorably met and bravely and wisely combatted will develop strength and open up many avenues of opportunity. The level plains of non-resistance may be easy travelling, but the sunrise is first and best seen from the mountain tops gained by the perilous ascent, and what soul worth while would not risk that ascent?

The battle-fields of human lives are varied in their aspects, but in every case the conquest is attained by the pure and courageous heart sustained by the patient and steadfast will, for the virtue of persistence is the hand-maiden of a pure motive.

The botanists tell us that March winds are necessary for the well-being of the trees, and so may obstacles and hindrances be useful for the development of our characters. So let the winds blow; what can they mean to us if the roots of our characters go deep down into the "good ground" of faith in God, hope for humanity and love for our fellow-man?

THE CIVIC idea which has taken such a strong hold on so many Southern communities, expresses itself in manifold ways. Southern people for generations have given their best thoughts to the problems of organization and government, and discussions of social and economic questions have always appealed to the highest type of Southern mind. So it is not surprising that now, after the wreck and ruin of a great war have been repaired in this section of the country, that the native mind should again turn to those great questions which interested it in its day of peace and prosperity. In every city and town, in fact, in every hamlet in the South, to-day there are springing up little bands of women, known as Civic Leagues or Civic Clubs, which are exerting an untold influence in their various communities for a wider life and a broader vision. One of the great reforms for which these

little bands are working is the question of the prevention of tuberculosis. It has been said that "tuberculosis is a problem of the people rather than of the physician; it is more of a social question than a medical one, and prevention is to be sought rather than the cure."

With such a summing up of the subject before them the women of Southern communities can find much to engross their thoughts and energies in this matter. Southern men, as a rule, are quick to respond to the thoughtful and earnest suggestions offered by Southern women, and for this reason nowhere have women had more opportunity for efficient and successful civic work by suggestion than in the various Southern States. In consequence of this possible influence of woman on community life, Civic Clubs have an open field before them in this question of the fight against tuberculosis. They can all reveal the facts in regard to this dread disease, can awaken interest in the study of methods of prevention and can suggest plans of work, and thus lend their influence in arousing a public sentiment which will recognize the dangers that confront the community and the means by which these dangers may be averted.

The health of a community is the mutual care of the men and women of that community, and only by an intelligent and willing co-operation of all forces can the best sanitary conditions be secured for the entire citizenship involved.

THE SUBJECT of organized charity is one that is engaging the serious and intelligent consideration of women everywhere. In all times woman has been ever ready and willing to help in cases of distress, poverty or need, but to-day she appreciates the value of systematic and organized charity and is bearing her share in working out the social problems involved in all charity work.

No greater help in the understanding of the work being done all over the world in this direction can be found than in reading that unique and suggestive publication, "*Charities and The Commons*." This publication treats of all the advanced movements in systems of charity and corrections; it reports the great meetings in behalf of such work in every State and it leaves with even the most casual reader a feeling of uplift; and encourages the faint-hearted charity worker to greater zeal and more continued efforts in behalf of the "weaker brother." Weekly this journal of philanthropy and social advance carries forth a message to charity workers all over the country, and this message of advice, suggestion and practical experience is telling in the splendid advances that are being made all over America in the development of a wise and judicious administration of the charity of the community.

MAN LETTERS have come to me from the South from clubs where your "*Keystone*" is an inspiration. They ask about the Travelling Gallery. We have already made dates for the gallery in the Southern States, as follows: North Carolina and West Virginia, March; South Carolina and Florida, April; Virginia, May. There seems to be the greatest interest in this exhibition of paintings and I have received some touching letters from interior towns. Would you not like to have the full catalogue of pictures and artists' names for publication in "*The Keystone*?" It is an inspiring paper. Will you not send it to me with a subscription bill enclosed, and I will remit to you? With sincere good wishes, I am, Faithfully yours, JEAN SHERWOOD, Chairman Art Committee, G. F. W. C.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 25th, 1907.

The Keystone reached my desk all right. I enjoy its contents very much, and I am proud that its editors are women—and that I am indirectly associated with them in the work for womankind.

ANNA L. CLARK,

Chairman Civil Service Reform Committee of the General Federation, Boonville, Mo.

OFFICIAL CLUB NEWS

For the State Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, Mississippi, North Carolina and Florida.
(This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for South Carolina to Mrs. Julius M. Visanska, Corresponding Secretary S. C. F. W. C., 2 Bull Street, Charleston, S. C., Manager.

President—Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Greenwood, S. C.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. A. Russell, Greenville, S. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. M. Visanska, 2 Bull Street, Charleston, S. C.

(67 Clubs—3,000 Members.)

THE CELEBRATION OF RECIPROCITY DAY by the clubs in South Carolina during February was most gratifying to the chairman. Many calls were made on the Reciprocity Bureau for material for these celebrations, and much material was furnished for these calls. The chairman requests that every club in the Federation which has celebrated a reciprocity day this club year or will celebrate it before the Orangeburg Convention will please notify her of that fact, as she wishes to make a list of all clubs in South Carolina who have thus co-operated with the Reciprocity Department of the Federation. Many clubs have already notified the chairman, but a post card, stating name of club, date of celebration and name of subject or manner of celebration, sent to the chairman by March 20th, will facilitate the keeping of the records of the Reciprocity Department.

MARY B. POPPENHEIM,
Chairman Reciprocity.

THE NEW DIRECTORY of the General Federation reports the following G. F. W. C. appointments for South Carolina: Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, Charleston, *Chairman*, Literature; Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Greenwood, Industrial and Child Labor; Miss Euphemia McClintock, Columbia, Advisory Education; Mrs. Rufus Fant, Anderson, Forestry; Mrs. M. W. Coleman, Seneca, Legislative.

THE SUMMERVILLE CIVIC LEAGUE is active in its efforts to arouse an interest among its public generally in the work of the league. To promote this interest, the league gave a delightful afternoon tea in the rooms of the Timrod Library on Friday afternoon, February 15th, at which time Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, an ex-president of the South Carolina Federation, gave a talk on, "What some Women's Clubs have done in Civic Work." Miss Caroline Walker, president of the league, introduced Miss Poppenheim, and during the informal reception dainty refreshments were served by the members of the league. The attendance was large, and the league was pleased to welcome a number of its friends on this occasion. At present the league has undertaken the sanitary drainage of the grounds of the new public school, and all of its members are most enthusiastic over the work in connection with the school. Miss Poppenheim was the guest of Miss Walker, the president of the league, while in Summerville.

THE NEW CENTURY CLUB, JOHNSTON, is studying the Bible, and will celebrate a Civil Service Reform Day. At its last meeting it presented two silver spoons to two new "club babies." The club never gives but one spoon in a family.

THE following resolutions were adopted by the Executive Board of the Charleston City Federation of Women's Clubs, in memory of the Hon. Julian Mitchell, late chairman of the Board of Public School Commissioners of Charleston:

The cause of education in South Carolina had no nobler or more earnest and devoted promoter than the Hon. Julian Mitchell, who, on January 30th, was called to a higher service while addressing the Charleston City Federation in behalf of the cause of public education and the part woman might take in its advancement.

"God's finger touched him and he slept."

His life is done, but his work will go on, in the great influence he exerted on all earnest workers who found help in his counsel, and inspiration in his appreciation and approval of their efforts.

Whereas, The City Federation of Women's Clubs were privileged to come under the influence of this wise educator, able jurist, and true philanthropist, the Hon. Julian Mitchell; and

Whereas, His latest breath was of the impressive image of the angel troubling the waters for healing; and his last words, an appeal to woman's spiritual power in the cause of education, he has left to all women, and to us particularly, a constant and inspiring summons to woman's highest influence and duty; and

Whereas, His untimely death comes as a personal sorrow, as well as a public loss to all friends of education, and to all workers in educational fields, be it therefore

Resolved, That we, the members of the City Federation of Women's Clubs of Charleston, do sincerely deplore in the death of the Hon. Julian Mitchell the loss of a true friend and sympathizer.

Resolved, That we tender to the family of Mr. Mitchell our heartfelt sympathy in their deep affliction, commanding them to the God of all grace and comfort.

Resolved, That a blank page in our minute book be inscribed to the memory of Mr. Mitchell, and that these resolutions be published in the *News and Courier*, *Evening Post* and *"The Keystone."*

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to Mr. Mitchell's family; and, further,

Resolved, That these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of the City Federation.

LOUISA B. POPPENHEIM,
SARAH B. VISANSKA,
ELIZABETH BRYAN.

THE PALMETTO CLUB, of Chester, observed Reciprocity Day on February 8th, at the home of Mrs. L. T. Nichols, its president. Mrs. Steger, of Kentucky, spoke on her travels abroad, and Mrs. Campbell, of Georgia, told of the part that the club women of Georgia took in the enacting of the child labor law in that State. Mrs. Kluttz read a letter of greeting from Mrs. Sarah S. Platt-Decker, the president of the General Federation. A discussion on Civil Service Reform, by Mrs. Kluttz and Mrs. Booth, and an article on Domestic Science made up the rest of the program. The practical side of domestic science was demonstrated by the delightful refreshments served by the hostess, and a report was made that the club had raised fifteen of the twenty dollars pledged for the Industrial School.

ENCLOSED please find 50c. in stamps for my subscription to *The Keystone*. It is a paper that should be in the hands of every club woman and every public-spirited woman in the South.

MARY T. NANCE,
President School Improvement Association of South Carolina.
Abbeville, S. C.

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President—Mrs. Robt. E. Jones, Crystal Springs.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. R. J. Harding, Jackson.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. A. F. Andre, Crystal Springs.
(85 Clubs.)

MRS. J. D. GRANBERRY, Chairman of Home Economics, is in correspondence with Mrs. Helen Armstrong, of Chicago, hoping to have her come to our State to give to some of the clubs a week's course of lectures and demonstrations in Domestic Science.

My Good little neighbor across the way is an enthusiastic D. A. R., an indefatigable U. D. C., and a faithful member of a number of other organizations, more or less profitable to herself and others; but I have never been able to get her to join the Village Improvement Association. I tell her I would rather work for a *live tree* than a *dead hero*, and that a woman who belongs to nine clubs can find time for ten.

Without wishing in any degree to disparage the work along any of the lines represented in our Federation, there seems to me not one which benefits so many people, of so many classes, of so many ages, as civic betterment. Yet it is astonishing to see how slowly our Mississippi women are awaking to the fact that through them our men are to be aroused and interested in preserving what beauty nature has afforded us, and educated beyond the mere utilitarian idea.

The easiest and cheapest way in which we can show our appreciation of what nature has done for our State is in tree planting. An endless variety of vegetation thrives in Mississippi, with but little attention; and a few hours' work from each of us this spring will bring forth good results.

In our little inland town we have pressed the subject for six years, with results far below what we hoped, yet the little we have done repays us already. We find the sugar maple and the elm the most satisfactory trees. A good tree can be bought and planted at a cost of about 15 cents each—less, if some generous land-owner will give you the volunteers which are no doubt in his way. Of course much depends upon the care taken in planting—the richer the soil at the roots, the quicker the growth. If there is a stock law, as every well-regulated town has, there is no need for boxing, which is expensive; but if your cows and horses take their walks abroad your tree is doomed without protection. The earlier in the year, the better time for planting. A former president of our V. I. A. is very proud of a row of symmetrical elms, which she had planted as late as the 17th of March. As it extended across the back of the Roman Catholic church, she named it St. Patrick's Row, and the good Saint would no doubt be proud of his thrifty little namesakes. With watching and occasional watering, she lost but one out of twenty-four.

In an adjoining street is a pretty avenue of maples, planted more than fifty years ago. The hands that did the work have long been folded in rest; but not long ago a gentleman who goes that way daily, said: "I bless Mr. G. many times when I pass under these trees, for they certainly make my walk pleasanter, by their beauty, as well as their shade." What more fitting memorial for Lee, on the 19th of January;

for St. Valentine, for the immortal George (though he started out with but little respect for trees!), for St. Patrick on the 17th of March, or for some one whose name is especially dear to us or our town?

Let not the year pass without every loyal Mississippian feeling that in her own yard or somebody's else there is one more "green thing growing" through her thought and care.

HELEN CROFT ANDERSON,

Chairman Civic Improvement Committee, Miss. Federation.
Holly Springs.

THE NEW DIRECTORY of the General Federation reports the following G. F. W. C. appointments for Mississippi: Mrs. Albert Anderson, Holly Springs, Forestry; Mrs. T. M. Searles, Vicksburg, Legislative.

THE MATINEE MUSICAL CLUB, of Meridian, will join the State Federation this spring.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB, of Norfield, was organized November 17, 1904, at the home of Mrs. Wm. W. Butterfield. Norfield is a village of only 800. We have bought and made a drop curtain for the Norfield Amusement Hall, and made ourselves responsible for one-fifth of a lecture course, which would bring one hundred and fifty new books to our School Library. We visit the sick in our village, supplying a servant when the mother is ill or overworked, and flowers, magazines, food, bedding and clothing when they are needed. The club took entire charge of a needy woman, nursing her in her illness and making a whole new outfit of clothing for babe and mother. We have church but two Sunday evenings, so we have opened Sunday song services in the Norfield Hall, for which we have purchased \$25.00 worth of song books, an organ and a heater. We have worked with our town authorities in cleaning up and ridding Norfield of tin cans, old bottles, etc. The club hired a man to clear vacant lots of such rubbish. The citizens are asked to burn all things that can be burned and gather bottles, etc., in a box or barrel. A wagon is sent around to collect the contents of these barrels twice a month. Under this regime, mosquitoes and fever almost entirely left us. The social intercourse of our women who are so busy at home that they can barely manage to spare two hours in two weeks to attend our meetings is the best of all. Their lives are made happy in meeting their friends and knowing that they are instrumental in doing for some one in need. So far reading current magazines has been the extent of our literary work, but next year we expect to take up a course of study on home making.

OUR CLUB is keeping up the gathering of tin cans, and things that cannot be burned. We are beginning our Sunday night song services. No admittance is charged.

We gave a Pound Party for a family, securing thereby provisions for two months. We paid the father's expenses to and from the Charity Hospital, giving the mother help and work during his absence. Now we have a little fellow at the Chirty Hospital with a white swelling.

We are busy with a Bazaar, which we are to give in our Town Hall, February 12th, and 13th, hoping to fill up our treasury, which seems always to have what we need for our work. Yesterday we made at our meeting twenty small pincushions for a grab bag at the Bazaar.

MISS KATHERINE D. BUTTERFIELD.

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THE TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB, of Kosciusko, held an interesting meeting January 2d, discussing the child labor problem. The second January meeting was given to Domestic Science.

A sad bereavement was the death of Mrs. R. B. Johnson, of Kosciusko, the mother of Mrs. C. L. Anderson, our State Chairman of Library Extension. Mrs. Johnson, the daughter of Governor McWillie and Nancy Cunningham, was born in Camden, S. C., married to Dr. R. B. Johnson, and began her married life in Charleston, S. C.

THE DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAN Revolution, of Jackson, are unfederated. The finest work that has been done by the Chapter lies in their gift of a full scholarship at the Industrial Institute and College. Miss Beulah Culberson now represents them at this great college for women.

THE ART STUDY CLUB, of Jackson, is composed of genuine lovers of art. They are studying American art this winter, and are more interested and enthusiastic than ever before.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for North Carolina to Mrs. T. M. Pittman, Henderson, N. C.

President—Mrs. J. T. Alderman, Henderson, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Miss Sallie Simms Kirby, Goldsboro, N. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Rebecca Cheatham Watkins, Henderson, N. C.
(38 Clubs—934 Members.)

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE have adopted the Federation Badge, recommended by the Badge Committee.

THE N. C. F. W. C. at their annual meeting adopted the pine cone, with a sprig of the pine needles, as their insignia, and the State colors, light blue and white. The badge committee is ready to receive orders for the pins, which are being made and are very attractive in design. The pin is a pine cone in silver gilt, with a sprig of the needles and a scroll in light blue and white, with the letters, N. C. F. W. C. Every order should be accompanied by \$1.00 and postage to cover registered mail.

LAURA HOLMES REILLEY,

Chairman Badge Committee, Charlotte.

THE NEW DIRECTORY of the General Federation reports the following G. F. W. C. appointments for North Carolina: Mrs. J. T. Alderman, Henderson, Resolutions Committee; Mrs. W. G. Smith, Asheville, Forestry; Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, Winston-Salem, Legislative.

THE TREBLE CLEF, of the Charlotte Woman's Club, is spending the season with Richard Wagner and his operas. A journey to the home of "The Master Musician," and a glimpse of his Bayreuth Theatre, a review of the History of Opera, and a chat over the opera singers of to-day, have put us in very close touch with the music world.

An analytical study has been made of the operas "Tannhauser" and "Lohengrin," and ere the club year closes we hope to have made a thorough study of these wonderful music dramas.

The Chairman of Music of State Federation proposes to write all clubs in the Federation, and ask each club to devote

one meeting to the subject of music—either by giving a concert or to study for one meeting some composer—and programmes will be gladly furnished any club who will comply with this request.

MRS. CHAS. C. HOOK,

Chairman Music N. C. State Federation.

ABOUT the first of March the *Charlotte Woman's Club* expects to have the Art Gallery of the General Federation, and Mrs. Sherwood writes we are the only club that has asked for it in North Carolina. The clubs in Greensboro having seen it in our local papers have written in regard to it.

THE GOLDSBORO Woman's Club reports a bazaar held in November, which netted them \$126 for their lecture fund. They have enjoyed a feast of good things, in lectures from Prof. Edwin Mims in October, Dr. A. H. Moment in December, and have engaged the following talented men to speak in the spring: Prof. E. K. Graham, Dr. C. A. Smith and Mr. John Charles McNeill. These lectures are free to club members and their friends.

NORTH CAROLINA CLUB WOMEN are doing a splendid work in their Library Department. From an editorial in the Goldsboro, N. C., *Record*, of January 19th, 1907, we learn what the women of that city have done in this matter.

Through the efforts of these women alone the Goldsboro Public Library, which started with only a few volumes, now has 1,225 books on its shelves and an average of ninety borrowers a week. This library is open once a week, every Friday, free to all who may wish to borrow books, and the club women carry on this work and manage the library as a piece of unselfish philanthropy. To continue this work the club will hold a public book reception in their club rooms on February 7th, to which the public is invited to come and bring a book. In addition to this public library, the club women have 24 travelling library cases, each case containing thirty-five books, which are sent out into rural communities. As a result of these travelling libraries, every school in Wayne County, except eight (seventy schools in all), now has a library of its own, and so this winter fourteen of the twenty-four cases are travelling in Sampson and Lenoir Counties, and only nine are needed in Wayne to supply the schools. The editorial makes a strong plea for the public's co-operation with the club women of Goldsboro in this great educational endeavor of theirs.

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for Florida to Mrs. C. B. Farrell, Live Oak, Manager.

President—Mrs. Clara W. Raynor, Daytona.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. S. Frederick, Miami.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Milo McNeal, Ormond.
(25 Clubs—1,100 Members.)

THE President Florida Federation writes: The G. F. W. C. Art Gallery is booked for Florida in April.

All clubs in Florida wishing this gallery must file their application for the gallery at once with Mrs. J. B. Sherwood, Chairman Art Committee G. F. W. C. Expense for same, expressage from previous stopping place, directions for use, see page 8.

THE NEW DIRECTORY of the General Federation reports the following G. F. W. C. appointments for Florida: Mrs. C. H. Raynor, Civic Committee; Mrs. Thos. M. Shackleford, Tallahassee, Forestry; Mrs. Ada M. Cummer, Jacksonville, Legislative Committee.

THE PROGRESSIVE Culture Club, of Titusville, besides taking the Bay View Course for literary work, is devoting a share of its time to civics and is doing some excellent work. Their plan of inviting the gentleman to join their V. I. A. department by paying ten cents per month seems to be a fine scheme to help along with the work in keeping their town clean.

THE V. I. A. of San Mateo is doing a great work in the cause of education. A small club, maintaining a school, as an example, shows what a few determined women can do when their heart is in the work.

THE V. I. A. of Green Cove Springs is trying to aid in procuring some means for fire protection, as it was only by the heroic efforts of the citizens that their library was saved from destruction by fire a short time ago. The chairman of the Education Committee reports that the candidate for the Women's Club scholarship was not eligible. The standard of scholarship for kindergarten training is high; the applicant must be a normal graduate, a college graduate, or hold a teacher's first grade certificate.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

President—Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, 1550 Sherman Ave., Denver, Col.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Charles Perkins, 1547 Clinch Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

(Up-to-date Notes.)

[The *Federation Bulletin*, "the official organ" of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, according to agreement at the St. Paul Biennial, sends out to all sectional "official organs," each month, advance sheets of the official General Federation news, which it has received for publication. The following are official items for March.]

THE COUNCIL MEETING

The Council of the General Federation will meet June 5-6, 1907, at Norfolk, Virginia. One session will be held at the Jamestown Exposition, June 6, having been designated as "Federation Day."

Norfolk having a large and flourishing woman's club, and being in close proximity to the Jamestown Exposition grounds, was unanimously chosen by the Council Committee as the city for the meeting. The matter of headquarters for the Council has not been fully settled, but it will probably be the new fire-proof and commodious hotel, The Lynhaven, which will open April 1. This hotel has a large assembly room, which will accommodate about 500 persons. The morning, afternoon and evening sessions of June 5 and the morning session of June 6 will probably be held in this assembly room. The last and concluding session of the Council will be held in Exposition Hall, on the Jamestown Exposition grounds, in the afternoon of June 6, at 2 o'clock.

The function of the Council is "to consider and promote the interests of the General Federation of Women's Clubs." The Board of Directors, the presidents of all Federations, clubs and other organizations directly federated, and all General Federation secretaries, constitute the voting body of the Council, but all club women are welcome to the meetings.

The Council meetings, coming as they do between Biennials, are a great stimulus to the work of the General Federation—the greatest organization of women's interests in the world. Subjects of vital moment to every homemaker, who is our typical club woman, will be considered in the informal reports of the standing committees on Art, Education, Household, Economics, Pure Food, Civics, Library Extension, Literature, Forestry, Industrial and Child Labor, Legislative, Civil Service Reform, Reciprocity and Outlook. These reports give opportunities for noting progress along all lines of work since the St. Paul Biennial in May, 1906, and are an incentive towards further achievement for the great Biennial in Boston in June, 1908. Special attention will be given the Bureau of Information established by the General Federation, and which has more than 800 outlines of study, prepared by experts for the use of clubs. During the Council, Mr. Henry T. Bailey, of Boston, will deliver a lecture on, "Beauty in Common Things," and, in addition to other speakers, Miss Jane Brownlee, formerly of Toledo, Ohio, but now of San Diego, Cal., and a noted instructor, will address the Council on, "Moral Education in Schools." These are topics of surpassing interest to every wife, mother and daughter in our clubs. The meetings are informal, and, as they give much information, they also widen the intellectual and practical outlook, and are helpful to all who attend.

A large attendance is expected, as many will embrace this fine opportunity to enjoy the beauties of the Jamestown Exposition. Details as to program, place of meeting, hotel rates, etc., will be announced next month by the Committee of Arrangements, Mrs. Guy R. C. Allen, chairman; Mrs. William P. Orr, Mrs. Philip Carpenter.

THE BOSTON BIENNIAL.—The place of meeting and the approximate date have been decided upon. The Ninth Biennial Convention of the General Federation will be held in Symphony Hall, Boston, during the week beginning June 22, 1908. The exact date of opening has not been fixed, but will soon be announced. The local Biennial board takes great pleasure in this announcement that Symphony Hall has been secured for the convention. Its location on Huntington avenue is convenient to steam and electric railroads and to many fine hotels, and, as the home of the famous Boston Symphony Orchestra, the great hall, with its chaste and classic beauty, is widely known as one of the finest auditoriums in the country.

SARA T. S. LEIGHTON,
Chairman Press Committee.

THE NEW DIRECTORY of the General Federation of Women's Clubs has just been distributed among the clubs. This Directory has been prepared and published by Mrs. Charles Perkins, the corresponding secretary of the G. F. W. C. This pamphlet, of 44 pages, gives a list of the officers, directors, committees, State Federations, Federation secretaries and Federated Clubs of the General Federation, showing a membership of 759 individual clubs, represented by 58,108 active members, and 46 State Federations, representing 294,706 individual members.

Extra copies of the Directory may be secured from Mrs. Perkins on receipt of ten cents in stamps.

ENCLOSED find 50 cents in stamps for subscription to *The Keystone*. I prize your publication very much.
Mrs. E. E. MOFFITT,
Raleigh, N. C., January 28th, 1907.
Editor N. C. Booklet.

THE second Travelling Art Gallery of the General Federation is now in Pennsylvania, where it will visit eleven towns. Then its route, which is already made up, is as follows: West Virginia, 7 towns; North Carolina, 4; South Carolina, 15; Florida, 4; Virginia, 5; Massachusetts, 5. The collection will return to Chicago in June. There is great enthusiasm wherever the pictures are shown. This collection contains 40 paintings by noted American artists and 19 etchings by Rembrandt, Whistler, Haden, Pennell. Among the 25 artists exhibiting are: Alice Barber Stevens, Charles F. Brown, Ira D. Cassidy, E. R. Cherry, A. E. Albright, Charles H. Cox, R. B. Gruelle, Jules Guerin, Childe Hassam, Frank Phoenix, Wm. M. Post, H. W. Ranger, Mrs. E. H. Scott, Florence C. Shinn, Ross Turner, John Vanderpoel, Dawson Watson, Edmund Werpel, Gustav Wolf. The prices of the pictures range from \$15.00 to \$350.

Directions for the Use of the General Federation Art Gallery.

The paintings are insured against fire, but not from loss; therefore, your committee must exercise great care.

The Art Committee recommend that the clubs do not confine the exhibition to their own club day. There should be a *Public Art Day* that the whole community may be invited.

The gallery must travel very fast to cover the ground promised, and it is therefore difficult to promise it for a special club date.

The pictures are generously loaned by the artists, and the art committee are glad to encourage any sales. If a picture is sold, it may be removed from the gallery and delivered to purchaser, the amount being sent in bank draft or P. O. order to the art chairman, Mrs. J. B. Sherwood.

Only two days can be allowed for exhibition to each club, as we wish the gallery to visit two towns each week. Even now the applications from clubs are many more than can be filled.

Please ship promptly to the next place. Any delay will throw out the dates for the whole route, which has been arranged, two months in advance.

The gallery should have the pictures counted, be packed carefully and sent to the express office, the same evening of the last day of exhibition.

JEAN SHERWOOD, 530 Monroe Ave., Chicago, Ill.,
Chairman of Art Committee, G. F. W. C.

THE CIVIL SERVICE REFORM COMMITTEE is very anxious to engage the attention of Southern club women in behalf of some vigorous work on civil service reform, and with this in view, Miss Anna L. Clark, Boonville, Mo., the Chairman of the Committee, has offered the following suggestions for their co-operation:

She advises all club women to familiarize themselves with the standard literature on civil service reform, in order that they may understand its purposes. She says the reform is in no sense a political question, but pertains in a very intimate way to that righteousness which exalteth a nation and is a work which women can and should undertake with much enthusiasm. There are three departments of work which Miss Clark suggests:

First. The Department of Eleemosynary Institutions of state, county and city.

At the Biennial in St. Paul, May 31st, Miss Bacon, the Chairman of the Committee on Civil Service Reform, had the following resolutions read:

Believing that practical knowledge and ability are necessary to the care of the defective and delinquent and realizing that the management of State institutions for these unfortunate classes should be in accordance with the most advanced views of economy and efficiency, be it

Resolved, That the General Federation of Women's Clubs devote itself for the next two years to securing the enactment of State laws which shall place all officials and employees of the charitable and reformatory institutions of the United States under the merit system of appointment. Be it also

Resolved, That the public-spirited men and women be urged to use their influence to this end.

The resolution was unanimously adopted. Now the next thing is to see that the letter, as well as the spirit, of this resolution is carried out.

Second. The work along educational lines with the public schools. Offer prizes to pupils in high schools for best essay on Civil Service Reform. A bronze medal, costing five dollars, suitable for such a prize, can be secured from Miss Nichols, 55 Mt. Vernon street, Boston, Mass. This medal was designed for the Massachusetts and New York Auxiliaries by Miss Frances Grimes, aided by the criticism of Augustus Saint-Gaudens, and represents on one side a woman with one hand resting on the national shield, while in the other she holds the scales to weigh justly competition for public services. The motto is, "The best shall serve the State." The other side displays a wreath of pine, with the name of the auxiliary and a space for that of the winner.

Third. Work for more definite and special moral or ethical teaching in the public schools.

THE FORESTRY COMMITTEE.—*Economic Importance of Forestry*: The Chairman of this committee says:

Every State in the Union, whether heavily wooded or destitute of trees, should have intelligent forestry laws providing for a due proportion of forest area.

This is a field of usefulness in which women may wisely exert themselves for the welfare of the nation and of their own States by spreading information and shaping public sentiment. The formulation of a State policy requires expert knowledge of forest conditions, which can be obtained without expense from the Forest Service at Washington, which cooperates with States seeking its aid in defining and executing such a policy, and its advice should be sought by State Federations. Further information regarding the scope, methods and value of this department may be obtained by sending to the Forest Service, Washington, D. C., for Circulars 35 and 36, and by correspondence.

At all forestry meetings there should be a definite presentation of this most vital subject, which affects the health of the people, the amount and distribution of rainfall, thus controlling the freshets and corresponding seasons of drought, equalizing the climatic conditions of the country, and providing for the constant and increasing demand for forest products.

An address by some one qualified to treat the subject authoritatively is of great value, and through the generosity and co-operation of the Forest Service this need will, to a large extent, be met. Enos A. Mills, of Colorado, and other good speakers, will talk before teachers, schools, and women's clubs. The Chairman of Forestry from each State will receive requests for a speaker, and, if a series of convenient dates can be arranged, will communicate with the Chairman of the General Federation, the only expense being for local entertainment. Mr. Mills has been a Rocky Mountain guide for many years, and is a most interesting speaker. I have his entire time for the Middle West during March and April. He will be in Jamestown in May.

The American Forestry Association, with five thousand members, has offered to publish in its monthly, entitled, *Forestry and Irrigation*, reports of the work the women's clubs are doing in the line of forestry. With these two national organizations to direct and aid, it behooves us to accomplish large and permanent results.

Forestry committees should transfer to the Civic Improvement Department all considerations of street cleaning, billboard nuisances, school gardens and kindred topics, and confine its work exclusively to the broader fields indicated in this letter.

Earnestly hoping that you will not let this opportunity pass of turning the forestry work of your State into definite and practical results, I remain,

Cordially yours, **Mrs. P. S. PETERSON,**
Lincoln and Peterson Avenues, Chicago. **Chairman.**

SUGGESTIONS FOR GENERAL READING, as provided for in the plan of the Literature Committee.

I would recommend as a list of books to be read in connection with American Literature:

THE STORY OF THE PLANTS. Grant Allen.
TARRY-AT-HOME TRAVELS. Edward Everett Hale.
HUMANICULTURE. Herbert Higgins.
THROUGH THE GATES OF THE NETHERLANDS. Mary E. Waller.
CAMP FIRES IN THE CANADIAN ROCKIES. W. T. Hornaday.
LIFE AND LETTERS OF LAFCADIO HEARN. Miss Bisland.
LIFE OF WALT WHITMAN. Bliss Perry.
A SPINNER IN THE SUN. Myrtle Reed.

EMILIE BLACKMORE STAPP,
Member Literature Committee.

THE CHAIRMAN of the Outlook Committee, Mrs. T. J. Fletcher, Marshalltown, Iowa, makes a strong plea to all club women to take some action in regard to the use of aigrettes and the feathers of wild birds. Mrs. Fletcher is especially anxious to hear from the officers of all State Federations in this matter, as her request in December did not bring in many responses. Club women are urged to co-operate with the local Audubon Societies in their efforts in this direction. Attention is called to the work that the North Carolina Audubon Society is doing under the direction of Prof. T. Gilbert Pearson, in acquainting the public with the horrors of plume hunting, and the destruction of the herons. Mrs. Fletcher asks for the signature of all club women to the following pledge:

Whereas, The number of our beautiful snowy herons is rapidly diminishing, with a likelihood of their becoming extinct; and

Whereas, The demand for aigrettes for millinery purposes is responsible for the slaughter of these feathered innocents, and the consequent death of the nestlings; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the undersigned, pledge ourselves to refrain from wearing any such badge of cruelty as the aigrette or the plumage of any wild bird, and that we will use all possible influence to restrain others from doing so.

SOUTHERN FEDERATIONS of Women's Clubs are represented among the officers and standing committees of the General Federation, as shown by the recently issued Federation Directory, as follows:

Arkansas—Mrs. E. B. Kinsworthy, Education Committee.

Georgia—Mrs. J. K. Ottley, Civil Service Reform; Mrs. Burton Smith, Vice-Chairman, Household Committee.

Florida—Mrs. Charles H. Raynor, Civic Committee.

Kentucky—Mrs. J. A. Mengel, Educational Committee.

Louisiana—Mrs. J. D. Wilkinson, Industrial and Child Labor; Mrs. W. H. Scheen, Reciprocity.

Maryland—Mrs. Francis Sanderson, Membership; Mrs. M. H. Abel, Pure Food Committee.

North Carolina—Mrs. J. T. Alderman, Committee on Resolutions.

South Carolina—Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, *Chairman*, Literature; Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Industrial and Child Labor; Miss Euphemia McClintock, Advisory Education.

Tennessee—Mrs. Charles Perkins, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Florence Turner, Art; Mrs. J. S. Greve, Education.

Texas—Mrs. Percy Pennybacker, Auditor, Chairman Program Committee, Member Press Committee; Mrs. J. B. Dibrell, *Chairman*, Civic; Mrs. D. T. Bomar, Art; Mrs. Eli Hertzberg, Education; Mrs. H. M. Kirby, Advisory Education.

Virginia—Mrs. Harrison Robertson, Reciprocity.

West Virginia—Mrs. Guy R. C. Allen, Director and Chairman Council Committee; Mrs. C. S. Morrison, Library Extension.

The Forestry and Legislative Committees of the General Federation are made up of a member from every State, hence every Southern State has a member on these two committees.

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE of the Kentucky Federation, has just issued a very valuable pamphlet, containing the report of the chairman, Mrs. C. P. Barnes, of Louisville, an article on "Public Schools of Kentucky," by Mrs. Herbert W. Mengel, and an article on "Higher Education in Kentucky," by Dean Irene T. Meyer. Mrs. Barnes' report is very concise and practical, while her plans for the year are very suggestive and could be carried out to great advantage by every Southern State. Mrs. Mengel's article should be read by every club woman, so ably does she present this subject. The club women of Kentucky are thoroughly aroused to the great importance of understanding educational conditions in their State.

PRIZES FOR RURAL SCHOOLS

AT a committee meeting of the School Improvement Association of South Carolina, held at Winthrop College, February 9, it was decided to offer fifteen prizes to the schools of the State for the most decided material improvement made during a given length of time. Five of the prizes are to be \$100 each, and ten are to be \$50 each. Regulations concerning the fifteen prizes are as follows:

1. Improvements must be made between January 1 and November 15, 1907.

2. Prizes will be awarded to schools where the most decided material improvements have been made during the time mentioned.

3. Under material improvements are included local taxation, consolidation, new buildings, libraries, interior decoration, beautifying yards and better general equipment.

4. No school can compete for any of these prizes unless it is a rural school. No town or city with more than 500 population shall be eligible to the contest.

5. All who wish to enter this contest must send names and descriptions of schools, before improvements are made, to the president, Miss Mary T. Nance, Abbeville, S. C., prior to October 1, 1907.

6. All descriptions, photographs and other evidence showing improvements must be sent to the president before November 1.

Prizes will be awarded in checks sent by December 1. The prizes are to be used for further improvements in the schools receiving them.

The secretary, Miss Anna Starke, Rock Hill, S. C., will be pleased to answer any questions in regard to this contest.

**SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS
OF THE CONFEDERACY**

This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.

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(56 Chapters—2,209 Members.)

THE FULL AND COMPLETE minutes of the Gulfport Convention, U. D. C., are ready for distribution among the chapters. All chapters are reminded to send twenty-five cents to Mrs. A. L. Dowdell, Opelika, Alabama, to pay the expressage on their copies of the minutes, which will be sent them immediately. It is very necessary that the president of every U. D. C. Chapter should be familiar with these minutes and the Division president urges their especial attention to the securing of these pamphlets at once.

TO THE CHAPTER PRESIDENTS OF THE S. C. DIVISION, U. D. C.
My Dear Ladies: I shall try to make clear to you a few points connected with the bestowal of Crosses of Honor.

Please let me say in the beginning that the book which the Recorder of Crosses keeps represents your work, individually and collectively, and it is of the greatest importance to be very painstaking and exact, so that our book shall be a complete record of the soldiers upon whom we bestow the "Southern Cross of Honor."

The new lists have not been received, but Mrs. Dowdell tells me that they are an improvement on the others. When you fill out these lists, put the veteran's name first and then the initials, thus: Smith, G. W.; and be sure to put them on the lists in *alphabetical order*. Also, place application blanks one upon the other in *alphabetical order*, and do not forget to fill out and put in with papers the *order on Custodian*. Send all moneys for Crosses in Post Office money orders or postal notes, made payable to Mrs. L. H. Raines, Savannah, Ga.; but put the order with papers for me to forward to Custodian. Mrs. Raines says that she will refuse all stamps that are sent to her, as she is overburdened with them, and is begging the merchants to take them off of her hands.

When applying for Crosses for "Descendant," do not make the mistake of putting the descendant's name in the column where the soldier's name should be on the list—we are dealing with the **SOLDIER**, and his name goes in the column for veterans, just the same as if he were living.

When stating that the descendant is the oldest son or daughter, interline on the *application blank* and say, "who is the oldest living lineal descendant," so that we will not make the mistake of bestowing the cross on the oldest son when there is a daughter who is older, or vice versa.

Our president is very anxious to get a complete record of all Crosses ever bestowed by the S. C. Division, and I bespeak your hearty co-operation in this undertaking; for it means a great deal of patient and careful work.

I ask that each president will arrange **SEPARATE** lists from the present year's work, and head them in large letters, "BACK LISTS," arranging them as per instructions for bestowing

Crosses of Honor. I also ask that you write on the *outside* of package containing these lists and application papers the *same* words, "Back Lists." This will be a help to me in keeping the work separate from the present year's efforts.

We were not informed of the new rule that "all applications for Crosses must be in the hands of Custodian three weeks before time of bestowal," until too late to comply for January 19th; and I wish to call the attention of the chapters to the courtesy of Mrs. Raines in suspending the rule in our favor. Such a tax on her forbearance will not occur again, for we are all informed of the time limit, and I cannot forward to her any papers that come too late for the specified time. I must ask the chapters to accord to me the same length of time as that given to Mrs. Raines; and, really, I would appreciate it if the papers are sent in just as soon as possible after they are made out, so that I shall not be so rushed at the end. All chapters wishing to bestow Crosses will please write to me at *once*, stating the number and kind of blanks desired; and, if the chapters have bestowed Crosses before, please state how many, so that I may send lists enough for the back records.

Yours cordially, **MRS. THOS. W. KEITT,**
South Carolina Recorder of Crosses.

THE DIXIE CHAPTER, ANDERSON, celebrated the Lee Centennial by entertaining the veterans of Anderson with suitable literary exercises on the evening of January 18th, and a banquet afterwards, at the Hotel Chiquola. The guests of the evening were the Confederate Veterans, the officers of the other U. D. C. Chapters in Anderson and their husbands, the clergy of Anderson, and the husbands of the members of the Dixie Chapter. The musical features of the evening were especially attractive. The vocalists were Mesdames Cora Ligon, R. S. Ligon, J. W. Quattlebaum, Theresa Strickland, J. M. Patrick, A. M. Sharpe, and Miss Francis Ligon. The vocal selections were, "March of the Southern Men," "The Conquered Banner," "Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming," "Juanita" and "The South," and other old Southern airs. The toast-mistress at the banquet, Mrs. Rufus Fant, announced the following toasts and responses: "The Confederate Veterans," responded to by Col. J. N. Brown, commander Camp S. D. Lee, U. C. V.; "The U. D. C's.," responded to by Mrs. E. S. Moorer, president R. E. Lee Chapter, U. D. C.; "Our Clergy," responded to by Rev. R. C. Jeter, of the Episcopal church; "Our City," Mayor McCully.

THE WILLIAM WALLACE CHAPTER, UNION, is busy rounding up its funds for the completion of its Confederate monument for Union County. The contract has been let for this monument to the McNeil Marble Co., and the chapter hopes to unveil the monument in July. This monument will be erected on Main street nearly in front of the Court House, in the town of Union, will be 32 feet high, with a base of 9x9 feet, and will cost \$2,000. Union will have an "Old Home Week" in July, and it is hoped to make the unveiling of the monument one of the features of this celebration.

I ENCLOSE fifty cents in stamps for the *Keystone*. I cannot do without it. * * * Long live the *Keystone*.

MARY McMICHAEL,
Treasurer S. C. Division U. D. C.

Orangeburg, S. C., January 15th, 1907.

ENCLOSED find check for fifty cents, subscription to *The Keystone*. Our chapter enjoys the reading of it.

S. M. DAVIS-ROY,

President Warren Rifles Chapter, U. D. C.

Front Royal, Va., Jan. 12th, 1907.

VIRGINIA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY

This department is official, and will be continued monthly. Address all communications for Virginia to Mrs. W. Pryor Jones, Petersburg, Va., Manager for Virginia Division, U. D. C.

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 (97 Chapters—4,280 Members.)

AFTER the poor in their midst, the Virginia Daughters have but one idea at this time—their building at the Jamestown Exposition. Ground was broken for this building on December 26th; now the building is nearly completed and the Daughters have paid one-third of the cost and every indication points to a successful issue from their undertaking. The president, Mrs. W. R. McKenney, of Petersburg, has appointed Mrs. Morris, of Roanoke, associate hostess, whose duty will be to apportion the time to the various chapters of the State, to act as hostesses for the building. The idea is to have every chapter represented for a specified time during the Exposition by two of its members, who will act as hostesses for the Division.

The Richmond Chapter has been doing grand work during these first weeks of the New Year. Right nobly have the members stood behind their president, Mrs. Randolph, who is rendering such efficient service to the Jamestown Building Association. At a recent meeting of their chapter gifts were acknowledged to the building fund from Mrs. William Ruffin Cox, president of the Colonial Dames, and Mrs. Joseph Bryan. Mrs. Vawter, as chairman of the Committee on the Illustrated Lecture, by Mrs. Finck, reported a profit of \$52.75 for the Daughters' Building. Notice was given of a benefit performance at Bostock's Arena on March 7. Mrs. Gill, whose reputation as a successful promoter of excursions is known in more than one State, announced her intention of giving two excursions in the spring for the benefit of the chapter, one to Jamestown Island and one to the Exposition grounds. All of which shows that the Richmond Daughters are leaving no stone unturned in doing their share of the work, and the smaller chapters are not behind hand, many of them having made substantial contributions, and, although the undertaking is great and the burden now is heavy, we feel sure that the New Year will see us free from debt and even, perchance, with a balance in our treasury.

MRS. W. PRYOR JONES.

THE ANNUAL REPORT of the *Richmond* Chapter, U. D. C., shows a membership of 542. This chapter has a life membership with a fee of \$10, the interest of which goes to the chap-

ter treasury. Ten regular and two called meetings represent the activity of the chapter along this line in 1906. A silver tea replenished their treasury last February and the chapter was able to give an ice cream festival to the inmates of the Soldiers' Home. This chapter gave a complimentary reception to the Virginia D. A. R., which held their annual State Conference in Richmond in November and is now working faithfully for the Virginia U. D. C. Building at Jamestown. Their chief work, however, is for the Soldiers' Home, and many entertainments are given to raise funds to give pleasures and comforts to these old veterans.

A BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL service was held in Leesburg on January 19th, the one hundredth anniversary of Gen'l. R. E. Lee's birth. At 12 o'clock, a number of Confederate Veterans, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy and a large assemblage of citizens gathered at the town hall and the service was opened with a prayer by Rev. Mr. Berkeley. Rev. Mr. Burkhardt then read Gen'l Lee's farewell address. After the singing of the hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," Capt. John H. Alexander made an address on the life and character of Gen'l Lee. After a solo, beautifully rendered by Mrs. Walter Chamblin, "Come Unto Me," Mr. James Kilgore made an address. It was Mr. Kilgore's maiden speech and he was kindly welcomed for the sake of his father, one of the beloved veterans who not long ago "passed over the river" and whose silver tongue had often charmed the Leesburg audiences. But before his address was well on its way, he had won a place all his own in the hearts of his hearers. The service was interspersed throughout with extremely fine singing, by the Leesburg Male Quartette, which has in it some beautiful voices. The services were then concluded by a prayer and benediction by Rev. Mr. Burkhardt.

COL. ELIJAH V. WHITE, COMMANDER of the "Clinton Hatcher Camp" of Confederate Veterans, of Loudoun County, Va., a distinguished officer in the war between the States, died at his home in Leesburg, Va., on the morning of January 11th, after a long and painful illness. Col. White's death is universally regretted throughout this whole section of country. At the breaking out of the war, he immediately joined the army, and though a man entirely without military training, he seemed to know intuitively what to do. By his utter disregard of personal danger, his prompt obedience to orders, his kindness and thoughtfulness of those below him in rank, his tender care of the sick and wounded, he won a name greatly to be envied and made him one of the most popular and beloved men in the Confederate army. At the close of the war, like the majority of those gallant men who had fought so bravely, he found himself somewhat straitened in circumstances, and he went resolutely to work and proved himself to be as good a financier as he had been a soldier. He raised and educated a large family of children, whom he established in life; and at the time of his death was president of the People's National Bank, with ample means, respected and beloved by a large circle of friends. Would that Virginia had more sons like Col. E. V. White! When his death became known, Mrs. Stirling Murrey, president of the Loudoun Chapter, called a meeting of the U. D. C., and adopted resolutions of respect and sympathy, and also decided that the Daughters of the Confederacy should attend his funeral in a body and wear badges of mourning for thirty days. MRS. GEORGE HOFFMAN, Recording Secretary of Loudoun Chapter.

"*Polly*," the autobiography of a parrot, by Mollie Lee Clifford, is a fascinating story of a mischievous parrot. The story is a true one and shows how much common sense some birds have. The book is bound in parrot green and carries a beautiful portrait in colors of *Polly* herself. (Cloth, \$1.25. H. M. Caldwell Company, Boston, Mass.)

"There are all sorts of ways of ordering from a bill of fare. Some people go in with an air of being on familiar terms with the establishment," writes Elizabeth M. Rhodes in the February *DELINEATOR*. "They call the waiter 'Henry' as beginning, and give their order in a confidential tone. And when Henry goes off they lean back complacently, as one who would say, 'You see, I'm quite used to living in this style then.' Miss Rhodes gives a concise summary of the conventionalities of the restaurant, including choice of table, ordering *a la carte* and *table d'hôte*, payment of bill and tipping the waiter.

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 (Up-to-date notes.)

THE CONFEDERATE MUSEUM in Richmond has received from Miss Mary R. Shea, of New York, a number of valuable papers relating to the trial and bail bond of Jefferson Davis, a Bible used by Mr. Davis while in prison, and a Confederate flag, in which these relics were wrapped. Miss Shea's father was associated with Charles O'Conor, Mr. Davis's counsel, and it was through this connection that he came in possession of these valuable papers. The presentation of these relics took place in Solid South Room, in the presence of Miss Mary Custis Lee and all the vice-regents of the various State rooms in the museum, and was made by Archdeacon W. M. Jefferis, introduced by Lieut.-Gov. Taylor Ellyson. Miss Shea was present, and made a graceful little speech. The papers are a valuable collection of original manuscript letters from Mr. Davis, Mr. O'Conor and Mr. Shea, his counsel, and Mr. Davis, all bearing on Mr. Davis's condition at Fortress Monroe and the necessity for a speedy trial of the distinguished prisoner. Mr. Shea was Chief Justice of the Marine Court of New York from 1870 to 1882 and associate counsel with Charles O'Conor in defending Mr. Davis. It was largely through Mr. Shea's untiring efforts in raising the money and procuring the signatures to the bail bond that Mr. Davis was freed from imprisonment, and the first visit Mr. Davis paid after his release was to the Shea home, in New York. Southern people, and the Daughters of the Confederacy especially, should hold in respect and highest esteem the memory of this talented jurist and broad-minded humanitarian, whose sympathy, talent and influence did so much to relieve the sufferings of the great Confederate Chieftain. Mr. Shea was corporation attorney of New York City from 1865-1867, and was the son of John August Shea, of Cork, Ireland, who was known as a journalist, author and poet.

The collection of valuable papers and relics in the Confederate Museum has been greatly enhanced in value by this graceful and thoughtful gift on the part of Miss Shea, who is helping by this donation to collect in one especial place material for the historian who will want to write in the future the history of the struggle and strife which tore asunder this great country and which has left an indelible impression on American life and history for all time.

THE TENNESSEE DIVISION, U. D. C., has appointed a committee to petition the Legislature of Tennessee for an appropriation for a State monument to Tennessee soldiers who fought and died in the great battle of Shiloh. Mrs. T. J. Latham is chairmn of this committee of fifteen influential and capable U. D. C's., and club women will be interested to note that Mrs. Benton McMillan, president of the Tennessee Federation of Women's Clubs, is a member of this committee. The Sarah Law Chapter, of Memphis, has the record of adding one hundred and fifty new members to its roll in 1906, making that chapter number 300 and the largest chapter in the Tennessee Division.

THE COMMITTEE FOR THE WOMAN'S MONUMENT, as represented by the Veterans and Sons of Veterans, is issuing a small pamphlet, "Should the Spirit of Modern Commercialism Incline One to Cancel a Debt?" a reprint from Virginia supplement, "Our Women in the War," which attributes to the women of the South after the war between the States a large portion of the credit due for the present day prosperity of the South. This article is a most appreciative tribute to the virtues and abilities of Confederate women.

THE DELEGATES to the Gulfport Convention, U. D. C., will be interested to learn that a new U. D. C. Chapter was organized in Gulfport in February, making the second chapter in that progressive little town. This new chapter has been named in honor of Mrs. Lucy W. Rowe, the efficient historian of the Mississippi Division and the charming and thoughtful hostess, who is remembered with sincere appreciation by so many delegates to the Gulfport meeting.

NORTH CAROLINA.—The Guilford Chapter, U. D. C., of Greensboro, N. C., has copyrighted a most unique souvenir post card and had these cards made in Germany. The card represents an exact copy of a thoroughly authentic Ku Klux banner, used during reconstruction days by the Ku Klux. The flag was bought by the N. C. Division, U. D. C., from an old veteran—Ku Klux—who was unwilling that any one should own it except the Daughters of the Confederacy. He refused a handsome sum from some Northern people who wanted it. The original banner is in the North Carolina Room, Confederate Museum, Richmond, Va. The post card shows it to be a yellow banner, in the shape of an isosceles triangle, with a black dragon on it, and the motto, "Quod semper, quod ubique, quod ab omnibus."

The Guilford chapters will sell these cards at \$3 per hundred, or two for five cents.

Address all inquiries to Mrs. J. G. Brodnax, 209 West Market street, Greensboro, N. C.

THE KEYSTONE has just received on its exchange table a copy of "Our Heritage," the official organ of the Mississippi Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy. It is issued by the Mississippi Division, U. D. C., and edited by Mrs. Sarah D. Eggleston. It gives the local news among the Mississippi chapters, and will be of great value in developing interest in the U. D. C. work in that State. We welcome it to the field of club journalism and wish it all the success it deserves in its laudable undertaking.

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I ENCLOSE money order for 50c., for renewal of my subscription to *The Keystone*. I look forward with pleasurable anticipation to its arrival each month.

LOUISE JONES NORTHRUP.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 7th, 1907.

"The Stars and Stripes, and Other American Flags," by Pelig D. Harrison, is one of the most valuable recent acquisitions to American history. This book of 405 pages gives the origin and history of the Stars and Stripes, the various Confederate flags, army and navy regulations concerning the national standard and ensign, flag making, salutes, flag legislation and many associations of American flags, including the origin of the name, "Old Glory," with songs and their stories. Mr. Harrison has given this subject much thought and study and the material he has collected in this volume is arranged in a most orderly and attractive form. It is interesting to note that Mrs. D. A. S. Vaught, of New Orleans, was one of the author's helpful correspondents in the South, and that he has used "The Keystone" as authority for "The Bonnie Blue Flag," quoting in several instances from Mrs. S. Y. Stoney's article in the September, 1904, issue. This volume contains much valuable information, collected from various Southern newspapers, and from many original sources, giving information which can be found nowhere's else. The illustrations in color are very helpful to the text and the index and table of contents add to the usefulness of the book.

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THE COLONIAL CITY

THE Jamestown Exposition will not be destroyed after its close. "The Colonial City" is not to be given over to the wrecker and the vandal when the gates are closed on the night of November 30, 1907, but will endure to delight and instruct posterity. It is to be permanent, and this was early decided upon by its projectors. The plan adopted is a thing new in the history of expositions. The ground upon which is located the exposition was bought outright and is owned in fee simple by the Jamestown Exposition Company, incorporated. All of the utilities, including water, electric lights and the sewerage system, are built for permanency and will be most complete in every way.

All the State buildings, the shops of the arts and crafts village, the great administration building and its associated structures, and the beautiful piers, extending 2,400 feet into Hampton Roads, are built to stand for ages, and the water front boulevard, landscape architecture, flower gardens and parked squares are all designed with the idea of permanency. Some of the greatest exhibit structures will be demolished in time, but their removal will not mar the "picture," in truth, their absence may accentuate its beauties.

The State that desires to erect a building on the exposition ground has the option of purchasing the plot selected and building thereon a permanent structure, or it may build a temporary one, providing it be removed within six months after the exposition closes.

In this latter case no rental is charged for the ground occupied, and in the former case a very reasonable price is fixed. In every case, almost, the states will erect permanent buildings.

After the exposition the states may sell their buildings and grounds to the Jamestown Exposition Company, who will undoubtedly get first call on the property, or to private individuals or companies, who may want the property for residences, hotels, resorts or other purposes, as all these state buildings will be perfectly built and finished, and provided with every convenience, so that they will be ready made residences, hotels and club houses, and in many cases ready furnished, too.

The great boulevard, which the municipality of Norfolk and Princess Anne county is building at a cost of \$200,000, to connect the city with the exposition grounds, will be an important adjunct. It will be seventy to one hundred feet wide and seven miles long, embellished with flowers, shade trees and lights, and arranged to provide accommodations for speeding horses, for automobiles and for pedestrians. This boulevard will be a great factor in popularizing the grounds as a resort. Let us rejoice that one dream city is to endure and be made a fixture in the world of reality.

"Blackie, His Friends and His Enemies," by Madge A. Bigham, is a collection of short stories about animals and birds. Miss Bigham has taken some of La Fontaine's fables and simplified them to suit little children and she has succeeded in giving much pleasure to all lovers of animals, old and young. The illustrations, by Clara E. Atwood, will add to the children's enjoyment.

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AMERICAN WOMEN AND THE RHODES SCHOLARS

THE AMERICAN CIRCLE, of the Lyceum Club in London, entertained the American Rhodes scholars at a dinner in London on February 4th. Mme. Thayer, the president of the Circle; Lady West, the vice-president, and 18 members of the council, welcomed the young Americans. The guests numbered 25, and the whole company at the dinner exceeded one hundred. Mme. Thayer welcomed the guests, and the response for the scholars was made by Frank Adylotte, of Harvard. The subject of the benefits of the Rhodes scholarships was necessarily the chief topic of the evening, and the general conclusion was that the success of the scholarships depended upon the seriousness and earnestness of their beneficiaries.

Miss Constance Smedley, an honorary member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and the leader of the idea of International Lyceum Clubs, made a witty little speech, in which she complimented the American Circle for discovering so many American men in England, for, hitherto, she thought, there had been no more overlooked person in the world than the American man.

"American Character," by Brander Matthews, is an interesting address which was delivered before the Phi Beta Kappa of Columbia University in June, 1905, and repeated at Rutgers College on Charter Day, in November, 1905. The book is published in answer to a foreign criticism that "the ambition of the American's heart, the passion of his life, is money." Prof. Matthews shows the good qualities in the American, as well as his faults. This little book contains only 35 pages and is worth thoughtful attention.

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"*The Breath of the Runners*," by Mary Mears, is an extremely interesting novel, which, as its name implies, has for its theme *ambition*. The author shows what real ambition is, how sometimes jealousy destroys success, and how some artists are working to gain glory for the artist rather than to produce a masterpiece in art. Miss Mears takes us into the atmosphere of the *ateliers* in Paris, and analyses the different *motifs* for work in a most fascinating manner. The book is full of romance and emotion, and strongly appeals to those who are interested in psychological problems. The author has an easy, attractive style and proves herself an earnest student of character. Altogether the book is very entertaining and directs the reader's thoughts to ideals in life. The cover decoration, showing the palm leaf and the "runners," is most suggestive.

(Cloth, \$1.50. Frederick A. Stokes & Company, New York City.)

"*Little Pilgrimages Among Bavarian Alps*," by Frank Roy Fraprie, is a most interesting book of travel describing Munich and its environs. The author spent some time in Bavaria and is thoroughly imbued with a great appreciation for the natural beauty of this part of Europe and for the life and civilization of the fascinating Bavarian capital. The trips to Oberammergau, Linderhof and Augsberg are especially interesting. To one who has travelled in Bavaria the chapters are delightful, as every page is saturated with the atmosphere of this picturesque part of Germany. To any one planning a trip in Southern Germany this book is especially recommended for valuable suggestions and information. The numerous illustrations add considerably to the pleasure of the reader, giving some idea of the attractions in Bavaria.

(Cloth, \$1.50. L. C. Page & Company, Boston, Mass.)

"*Chippinge Borough*," by Stanley Weyman, is an interesting novel of English political life, showing how seats in Parliament are gained and lost. There we see Mr. Weyman in a new light, but he is equally as entertaining in politics as he has been in narratives of adventure. There are many dramatic situations in the volume, the love story is by no means lacking, and our attention is held from the beginning to the end of the 481 pages.

(Cloth, \$1.50. McClure, Phillips and Company, New York City.)

"*Cigarettes in Fact and Fancy*," by John Bain, Jr., is a real interesting, clever, little volume. The author gives the history of cigarettes and the place they have occupied among various nationalities. The amount of interesting data in regard to this special form of tobacco, which has been collected in this little book is surprising. The *Cigarette* is viewed from every standpoint, and many authorities are quoted,

showing what some prominent men think about the weed in this form. Altogether it opens up much light on this subject and will be of special interest to all men who smoke.

(Cloth. H. M. Caldwell, New York City.)

"*The Silver Crown*," by Laura E. Richards, is an interesting book of fables for old and young. Each has a moral, and each is told in the simplest language. They all show that grief must be hidden, joy must be shared with all the world, and that every life is worth while.

(Cloth, \$1.25. Little, Brown and Company, Boston, Mass.)

"*The Dawn of A To-Morrow*," by Frances Hodgson Burnett, is a very artistic story about the hard life in "*Apple Blossom Court*." Mrs. Burnett shows the wonderful faith of some of these submerged people and also shows the lesson they can teach. The illustrations in color are by F. C. Yohn and add considerably to our pleasure. The book has only 155 pages and can be read easily at one sitting. It is pre-eminently suitable for a Christmas remembrance.

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"*The Malefactor*," by E. Phillips Oppenheim, author of "*The Master Mumer*," "*A Maker of History*," etc., is one of the greatest of the day. It is a striking story of singular originality and the plot is unfolded with a remarkable skill which holds our interest throughout every page. "*Sir Wingrave Seton*," a young man of high social position, has elected to face a sentence of penal servitude in order to save a woman's good name. He comes out of prison years later, "a man without the faintest trace of feeling for his fellow-men." His one aim in life is to secure revenge on the woman for whom he has suffered. In developing this character the author tells a story which far surpasses his previous works, and places this book among the popular successes.

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"*Studies in the Book of Job*," by Rev. Francis N. Peloubet, D. D., author of "*Select Notes on the International Sunday School Lessons*," is prepared for advanced classes in the Sunday school, for Biblical literature courses in high schools and colleges, for evening services and for individual use. This book sheds new light on the "*Book of Job*," which ranks as "one of the immortal masterpieces of genius." It gives readings in character, blackboard diagram, references for Bible study, points of contact with daily life, literature and history, and brief notes on difficult and striking passages. In view of the fact that the *Literature Committee* of the General Federation has decided upon *The Bible as Literature* as one of the subjects for study during the coming year, this book is especially recommended to clubs interested in this subject.

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